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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

MORI et al.

Attorney Docket No: 100725-00068

Application No. 10/038,661

Art Unit: 3726

Filed: January 8, 2002

Examiner: E. Compton

For: SINTERED OIL RETAINING BEARING AND METHOD OF PRODUCING
THE SAME AND SPINDLE MOTOR FOR INFORMATION EQUIPMENT

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

September 16, 2003

Sir:

Applicants petition for an extension of time for two months for response to the outstanding Office Action dated April 16, 2003 from July 16, 2003 to September 16, 2003.

Please find attached a check in the amount of Four Hundred Ten Dollars (\$410.00) to cover the fee discussed above. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 01-2300, referring to client-matter number 100725-00068.

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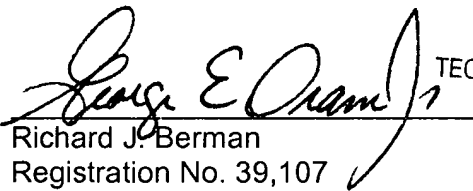
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